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In re ARHAB et al.
Reply to Office Action of Apr. 29, 2008

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The function of a hydrokinetic coupling apparatus 10 of this kind is to couple together two shafts, namely a driving shaft B and a driven shaft A respectively in the case of an application to an automatic transmission for a motor vehicle. In that case, the driving shaft B (~~not shown~~) is the output shaft of the engine of the vehicle, while the driven shaft A is coupled to means for changing speed ratios.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The impulse wheel 30 includes vanes 36 which are carried by the front shell 18 of the casing 12, which is adapted to be coupled in rotation (i.e. drivingly or non-rotatably coupled) to the driving shaft B.

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The lock-up clutch 16 for coupling the driving shaft with the driven shaft A, which is operatively interposed between the turbine wheel 32 and the rear shell 20, is brought into operation after the vehicle has been started and the driving shaft B and driven shafts shaft A have been coupled together hydraulically, so as to avoid the loss of output which is in particular caused by sliding effects between the turbine wheel 32 and the impulse wheel 30.